

**SYSTEM, METHOD AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR BILLING
FOR FACILITATING THE PROVISION OF INTERNET SERVICE
COMBINING THE ADVANTAGES OF LOCAL ISP OWNERSHIP AND
NATIONAL SCALE**

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ABSTRACT

10 A system, method and computer program product are disclosed for billing for guaranteed
bandwidth network service. A request is received from a user at a computer terminal. A
destination of the request is then determined. Next, the request is transmitted to the
destination utilizing a first network and a second network based on the destination. The
transmission of the requests to the destination is tracked utilizing the first network and the
second network. The user is billed from a first entity for requests transmitted utilizing the
15 first network, and a second entity for requests transmitted utilizing the second network.